

**UNITED STATES INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES PAID BY FARMERS,
INTEREST, TAXES, WAGE RATES AND RELATED DATA, 2002 AND 2003**

Indexes and ratios	1910-14 = 100		1990-92 = 100	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
PRODUCTION ITEMS				
Feed	547	554	112	113
Livestock and poultry	1,306	1,395	102	109
Seed	1,402	1,521	142	154
Fertilizer	*394	453	108	124
Agricultural chemicals	*738	747	119	121
Fuels	*866	1,084	*112	140
Farm supplies and repairs	927	949	131	134
Autos and trucks	3,082	3,044	116	115
Farm machinery	*3,704	3,771	*148	150
Building materials	1,654	1,679	122	124
Farm services and rent	1,426	1,447	—	—
Farm services	—	—	120	123
Rent	—	—	119	120
Interest	2,615	5,599	104	104
Taxes	3,378	3,426	126	128
Wage rates	5,705	5,885	153	157
Production items, interest, taxes and wage rates	*1,631	1,692	*121	126
Family living	1,709	1,747	133	136
Commodities and services, interest, taxes and wage rates	*1,645	1,702	124	128
Prices received	*620	677	98	107
Parity ratio ¹	38	40	79	83
Adjusted parity ratio ²	40	43	—	—

¹ Ratio of prices received by farmers to the index of commodities and services, interest, taxes and wage rates. ² Ratio of the index of prices received by farmers, after adjustment for government payments, to the index of prices paid for commodities and services, interest, taxes and wage rates. * Revised.

**UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AS PERCENTAGE OF CASH RECEIPTS FROM MARKETINGS,
INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED, PRICES PAID, PARITY RATIO AND ADJUSTED PARITY RATIO, 1999-2003**

Year	Government payments as percent of cash receipts from marketings	1910-14 = 100			Parity ratio ¹	
		Prices received index		Prices paid index	Actual	Adjusted ³
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	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
			<u>Percent</u>			
1999	11.47	*607	676	1,531	40	44
2000	*11.93	611	683	1,594	38	43
2001	*10.36	*650	715	1,642	40	44
2002	*5.70	*620	659	*1,645	38	40
2003	8.19	677	732	1,702	40	43

¹ Parity ratios are computed monthly by dividing the index of prices received for all farm products by the index of prices paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates (both monthly indexes using a 1910-14 base). The annual parity ratio is a straight average of the twelve individual (January through December) monthly ratios. ² Adjusted to include government payments by multiplying column 2 by the ratio of [(100 + column 1 value)/100]. ³ The adjusted ratio includes government payments to farmers. * Revised.